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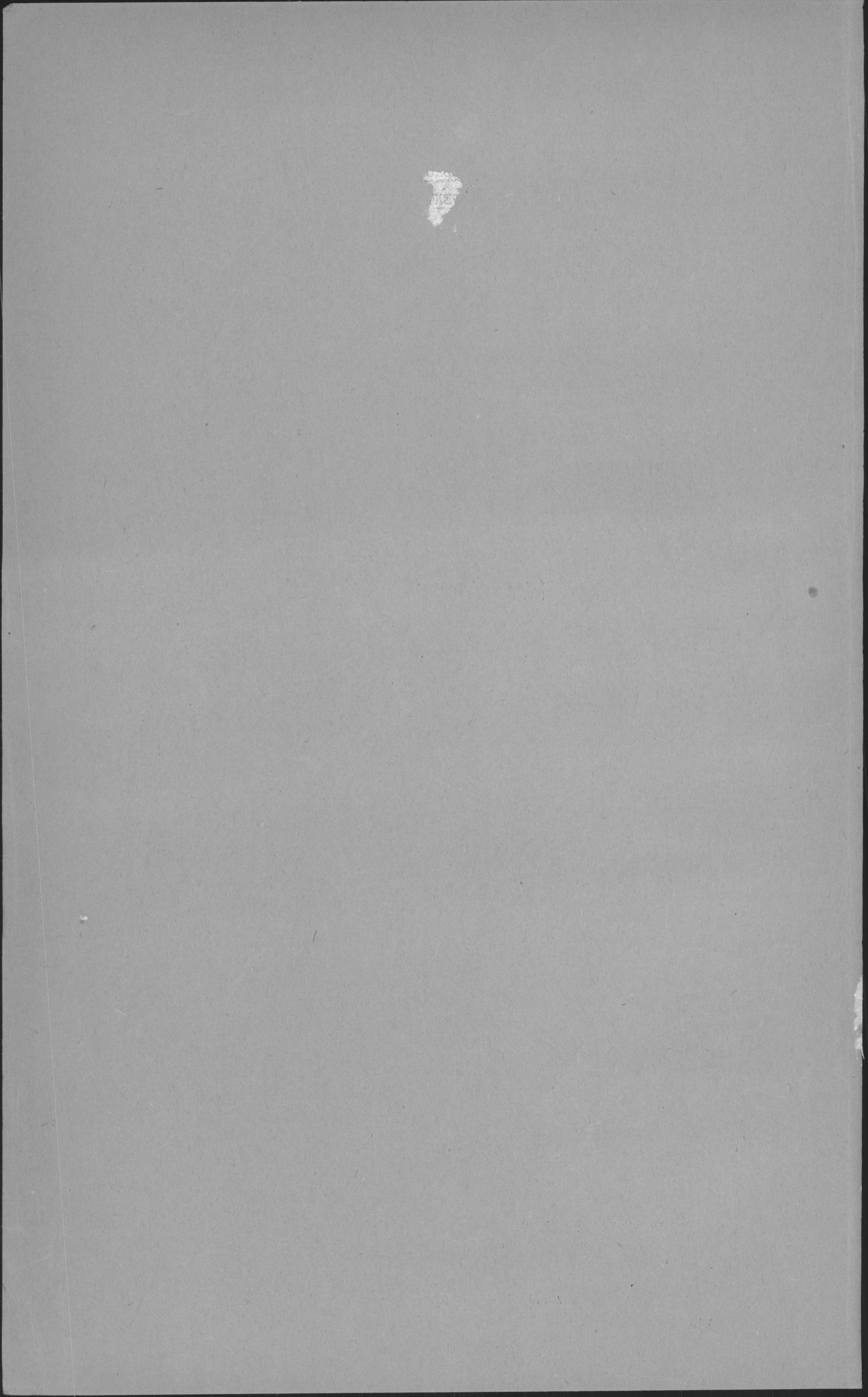
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Except where otherwise specified, employment figures contained in this Bulletin are based on data obtained from the 1933 Census, the Civilian Register of 1943, the Occupation Survey of 1945, Annual Censuses of Factory Production, and returns from Governmental Bodies, together with Pay-roll Tax returns. Pay-roll Tax returns at present cover approximately 75 per cent. of the total estimated numbers employed and are lodged by all employers paying more than £120 per week in wages (other than certain Commonwealth Government Bodies, religious and benevolent institutions, public hospitals and other similar organisations specifically exempted under the Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act 1941-1954). This Act, when originally introduced in 1941, required employers paying wages of more than £20 per week to lodge returns. The exemption limit was raised to £80 per week from 1st October, 1953. Prior to 1st September, 1954, when the present exemption limit was introduced, employment recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns covered approximately 80 per cent. of the total estimated numbers employed.

The terms "Employment", "Number Employed", "Employees" and "Wage Earners" used herein are synonymous with, and relate to, "Wage and salary earners" on pay-rolls or "in employment" in the latter part of each month as distinct from numbers of employees actually working on a specific date. They include persons employed part-time.

PREFACE

The figures relating to employment published in this Bulletin are estimates. The Census of June, 1954, may show the need for some revision in the monthly aggregates. It is not anticipated, however, that any such revisions will affect the trends shown by the figures in Tables 1 to 8. Some revisions will be necessary in the totals and trends in employment shown for individual industries (particularly manufacturing) in Tables 7 and 8. Tables showing employment in individual classes of factory are not published pending review.

2. Call-ups for short periods of National Service Training have occurred from time to time since August, 1951, and other variations occur in numbers of personnel in the Services. These are shown in item 4 below and in Table 4 page 3 thereof.

TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA (EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service) (Thousands)

	1956					1957	
	Jan.	Feb.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
<u>MALES</u>							
1. In Private Employment	1395.4	1421.3	1416.5	1424.7	1420.1	*1415.4	1421.0
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	30.9	31.1	29.3	29.0	29.0	28.7	28.6
Other	131.6	130.7	132.2	133.6	133.6	135.3	135.6
State and Semi-Governmental	368.3	371.2	374.3	373.8	373.5	372.7	374.8
Local Government Bodies	64.5	64.5	65.8	66.2	66.4	65.4	66.0
2. Total Governmental	595.3	597.5	601.6	602.6	602.5	602.1	605.0
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	(c) 1990.7	2018.8	2018.1	2027.3	2022.6	*2017.5	2026.0
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	59.9	60.1	58.0	50.3	47.5	57.2	57.7
5. Total, Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	(c) 2050.6	2078.9	2076.1	2077.6	2070.1	*2074.7	2083.7
<u>FEMALES</u>							
1. In Private Employment	628.3	632.1	630.0	635.9	635.4	630.6	635.3
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	7.2	7.2	6.4	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2
Other	38.1	38.8	39.1	39.5	38.7	39.3	39.5
State and Semi-Governmental	72.6	75.2	77.6	77.6	77.2	76.2	79.1
Local Government Bodies	6.0	6.1	6.2	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.4
2. Total Governmental	123.9	127.3	129.3	129.6	128.4	128.1	131.2
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	752.2	759.4	759.3	765.5	763.8	758.7	766.5
4. Defence Forces (Permanent and Oversea)	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8
5. Total, Civilian Employees and Defence Forces	754.2	761.4	761.2	767.4	765.7	760.6	768.3
<u>PERSONS</u>							
1. In Private Employment	2023.7	2053.4	2046.5	2060.6	2055.5	*2046.0	2056.3
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	38.1	38.3	35.7	35.2	35.2	34.9	34.8
Other	169.7	169.5	171.3	173.1	172.3	174.6	175.1
State and Semi-Governmental	440.9	446.4	451.9	451.4	450.7	448.9	453.9
Local Government Bodies	70.5	70.6	72.0	72.5	72.7	71.8	72.4
2. Total Governmental	719.2	724.8	730.9	732.2	730.9	730.2	736.2
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	(c) 2742.9	2778.2	2777.4	2792.8	2786.4	*2776.2	2792.5
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	61.9	62.1	59.9	52.2	49.4	59.1	59.5
5. Total, Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	(c) 2804.8	2840.3	2837.3	2845.0	2835.8	*2835.3	2852.0

(a) Comprises employees of the Departments of Air, Army, Navy, Defence, Supply and Defence Production. (b) Excludes rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training but includes non-enlisted personnel. (c) Affected by industrial disputes. * Revised.

TABLE 1 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES - AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57
July	1947.3	(a) 1996.0	2021.9	709.1	738.7	757.6	2656.4	(a) 2734.7	2779.5
August	1949.3	1999.6	2020.0	710.5	740.9	756.3	2659.8	2740.5	2776.3
September	1953.1	2003.1	2020.1	714.6	743.9	757.0	2667.7	2747.0	2777.1
October	1955.2	2001.7	2018.1	718.7	747.8	759.3	2673.9	2749.5	2777.4
November	1964.8	2012.4	2027.3	727.5	756.1	765.5	2692.3	2768.5	2792.8
December	1969.0	2012.9	2022.6	731.9	758.2	763.8	2700.9	2771.1	2786.4
January	1968.1	(a) 1990.7	*2017.5	724.2	752.2	758.7	2692.3	(a) 2742.9	*2776.2
February	1977.4	2018.8	2026.0	732.8	759.4	766.5	2710.2	2778.2	2792.5
March	1986.2	2020.1		737.5	762.2		2723.7	2782.3	
April	1990.8	2025.4		736.0	760.3		2726.8	2785.7	
May	1995.4	2028.1		737.2	760.6		2732.6	2788.7	
June	2000.5	2025.9		738.5	758.9		2739.0	2784.8	

(a) Affected by industrial disputes. * Revised.

TABLE 2 : DEFENCE FORCES - AUSTRALIA

(Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp (a))
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57
July	61.5	59.9	59.6	2.0	2.1	2.0	63.5	62.0	61.6
August	61.5	60.2	59.6	2.0	2.2	1.9	63.5	62.4	61.5
September	60.8	60.1	58.8	2.1	2.1	1.9	62.9	62.2	60.7
October	60.5	60.0	58.0	2.1	2.0	1.9	62.6	62.0	59.9
November	52.5	51.9	50.3	2.1	2.0	1.9	54.6	53.9	52.2
December	50.1	49.8	47.5	2.0	2.0	1.9	52.1	51.8	49.4
January	60.1	59.9	57.2	2.0	2.0	1.9	62.1	61.9	59.1
February	60.1	60.1	57.7	2.1	2.0	1.8	62.2	62.1	59.5
March	57.9	58.4		2.1	1.9		60.0	60.3	
April	58.9	58.9		2.1	1.9		61.0	60.8	
May	59.1	58.6		2.1	2.0		61.2	60.6	
June	57.7	57.3		2.1	2.0		59.8	59.3	

(a) Non-enlisted personnel are included. Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded.

TABLE 3 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES, DEFENCE FORCES AND TRAINEES - AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57
July	2008.8	(a) 2055.9	2081.5	711.1	740.8	759.6	2719.9	(a) 2796.7	2841.1
August	2010.8	2059.8	2079.6	712.5	743.1	758.2	2723.3	2802.9	2837.8
September	2013.9	2063.2	2078.9	716.7	746.0	758.9	2730.6	2809.2	2837.8
October	2015.7	2061.7	2076.1	720.8	749.8	761.2	2736.5	2811.5	2837.3
November	2017.3	2064.3	2077.6	729.6	758.1	767.4	2746.9	2822.4	2845.0
December	2019.1	2062.7	2070.1	733.9	760.2	765.7	2753.0	2822.9	2835.8
January	2028.2	(a) 2050.6	*2074.7	726.2	754.2	760.6	2754.4	(a) 2804.8	*2835.3
February	2037.5	2078.9	2083.7	734.9	761.4	768.3	2772.4	2840.3	2852.0
March	2044.1	2078.5		739.6	764.1		2783.7	2842.6	
April	2049.7	2084.3		738.1	762.2		2787.8	2846.5	
May	2054.5	2086.7		739.3	762.6		2793.8	2849.3	
June	2058.2	2083.2		740.6	760.9		2798.8	2844.1	

(a) Affected by industrial disputes. * Revised.

TABLE 4 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA
 (EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)
 (Thousands)

Month	Civilian Employees (excl. Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service)									Defence Forces (b)
	Males			Females			Persons			
	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	
1939 July	349.8	943.3	1,293.1	55.2	381.9	437.1	405.0	1,325.2	1,730.2	12.9
1941 July	375.3	988.1	1,363.4	70.8	485.4	556.2	446.1	1,473.5	1,919.6	284.6
1942 June	420.9	888.6	1,309.5	100.8	502.8	603.6	521.7	1,391.4	1,913.1	634.0
1943 June	413.3	859.9	1,273.2	135.9	504.8	640.7	549.2	1,364.7	1,913.9	729.0
1944 June	404.5	871.1	1,275.6	134.0	497.5	631.5	538.5	1,368.6	1,907.1	704.4
1945 June	400.2	896.1	1,296.3	124.8	494.6	619.4	525.0	1,390.7	1,915.7	648.9
1946 June	435.0	1,071.5	1,506.5	94.0	502.0	596.0	529.0	1,573.5	2,102.5	143.4
1947 June	472.0	1,177.4	1,649.4	92.1	527.5	619.6	564.1	1,704.9	2,269.0	54.0
1948 June	494.0	1,236.9	1,730.9	94.9	549.1	644.0	588.9	1,786.0	2,374.9	39.3
1949 May (c)	518.9	1,268.2	1,787.1	99.2	564.9	664.1	618.1	1,833.1	2,451.2	33.6
1950 June	554.3	1,304.4	1,858.7	107.7	580.5	688.2	662.0	1,884.9	2,546.9	33.7
1951 June	571.2	1,340.3	1,911.5	113.9	604.9	718.8	685.1	1,945.2	2,630.3	44.3
1952 June (d)	578.4	1,329.7	1,908.1	115.3	564.1	679.4	693.7	1,893.8	2,587.5	69.4
1953 June	567.8	1,319.0	1,886.8	112.0	561.7	673.7	679.8	1,880.7	2,560.5	67.4
1954 June	581.4	1,367.0	1,948.4	114.5	593.0	707.5	695.9	1,960.0	2,655.9	62.1
1955 June	599.1	1,401.4	2,000.5	122.8	615.7	738.5	721.9	2,017.1	2,739.0	59.8
1956 June	604.8	1,421.1	2,025.9	129.8	629.1	758.9	734.6	2,050.2	2,784.8	59.3
1955 Jan.	585.8	1,382.3	1,968.1	116.2	608.0	724.2	702.0	1,990.3	2,692.3	62.1
Feb.	589.2	1,388.2	1,977.4	119.3	613.5	732.8	708.5	2,001.7	2,710.2	62.2
March	592.3	1,393.9	1,986.2	121.3	616.2	737.5	713.6	2,010.1	2,723.7	60.0
April	595.3	1,395.5	1,990.8	121.4	614.6	736.0	716.7	2,010.1	2,726.8	61.0
May	596.9	1,398.5	1,995.4	121.8	615.4	737.2	718.7	2,013.9	2,732.6	61.2
June	599.1	1,401.4	2,000.5	122.8	615.7	738.5	721.9	2,017.1	2,739.0	59.8
July (e)	596.1	1,399.9	1,996.0	123.6	615.1	738.7	719.7	2,015.0	2,734.7	62.0
Aug.	598.3	1,401.3	1,999.6	124.2	616.7	740.9	722.5	2,018.0	2,740.5	62.4
Sept.	597.5	1,405.6	2,003.1	123.7	620.2	743.9	721.2	2,025.8	2,747.0	62.2
Oct.	595.0	1,406.7	2,001.7	124.0	623.8	747.8	719.0	2,030.5	2,749.5	62.0
Nov.	595.2	1,417.2	2,012.4	124.9	631.2	756.1	720.1	2,048.4	2,768.5	53.9
Dec.	596.3	1,416.6	2,012.9	124.0	634.2	758.2	720.3	2,050.8	2,771.1	51.8
1956 Jan. (e)	595.3	1,395.4	1,990.7	123.9	628.3	752.2	719.2	2,023.7	2,742.9	61.9
Feb.	597.5	1,421.3	2,018.8	127.3	632.1	759.4	724.8	2,053.4	2,778.2	62.1
March	598.9	1,421.2	2,020.1	128.7	633.5	762.2	727.6	2,054.7	2,782.3	60.3
April	601.1	1,424.3	2,025.4	129.3	631.0	760.3	730.4	2,055.3	2,785.7	60.8
May	603.6	1,424.5	2,028.1	129.7	630.9	760.6	733.3	2,055.4	2,788.7	60.6
June	604.9	1,421.0	2,025.9	129.8	629.1	758.9	734.7	2,050.1	2,784.8	59.3
July	605.7	1,416.2	2,021.9	130.8	626.8	757.6	736.5	2,043.0	2,779.5	61.6
Aug.	605.7	1,414.3	2,020.0	130.6	625.7	756.3	736.3	2,040.0	2,776.3	61.5
Sept.	604.0	1,416.1	2,020.1	129.9	627.1	757.0	733.9	2,043.2	2,777.1	60.7
Oct.	601.6	1,416.5	2,018.1	129.3	630.0	759.3	730.9	2,046.5	2,777.4	59.9
Nov.	602.6	1,424.7	2,027.3	129.6	635.9	765.5	732.2	2,060.6	2,792.8	52.2
Dec.	602.5	1,420.1	2,022.6	128.4	635.4	763.8	730.9	2,055.5	2,786.4	49.4
1957 Jan.*	602.1	1,415.4	2,017.5	128.1	630.6	758.7	730.2	2,046.0	2,776.2	59.1
Feb.	605.0	1,421.0	2,026.0	131.2	635.3	766.5	736.2	2,056.3	2,792.5	59.5

(a) Includes all employees of Governmental Bodies (Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Governmental) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post office, air transport, education, broadcasting, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia.

(b) Includes members of Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp. Non-enlisted personnel are included. Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded. (c) Figures for May, 1949 have been used for purposes of annual comparison because of the effects of the coal dispute in June, 1949. (d) See Preface on page 1 hereof as to effects of fluctuations in numbers of Defence Forces and Trainees since August, 1951.

(e) Affected by industrial disputes. * Revised.

TABLE 5 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT

STATES AND TERRITORIES

(Thousands)

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)

State or Territory	June, 1950	June, 1951	June, 1952	June, 1953	June, 1954	June, 1955	June, 1956	January, 1957	February, 1957
MALES									
New South Wales	740.8	758.2	754.4	734.3	758.1	779.2	787.8	*789.4	790.6
Victoria	510.7	525.8	524.4	521.6	539.7	556.7	564.2	562.5	564.7
Queensland	250.4	259.3	258.1	255.2	263.7	272.0	276.0	268.8	272.9
South Australia	165.7	170.0	171.5	170.6	176.0	178.7	184.5	182.7	183.0
Western Australia	120.5	125.3	126.0	130.2	135.0	136.4	135.5	134.2	134.6
Tasmania	58.4	60.2	61.0	61.8	62.8	64.0	64.4	65.7	65.9
Northern Territory	4.5	4.6	4.4	4.6	4.9	4.8	5.0	5.4	5.5
Aust. Cap. Terr.	7.7	8.1	8.3	8.5	8.2	8.7	8.5	8.8	8.8
Australia:	1858.7	1911.5	1908.1	1886.8	1948.4	2000.5	2025.9	*2017.5	2026.0
FEMALES									
New South Wales	278.5	290.9	270.5	266.2	279.5	292.5	300.2	301.3	303.5
Victoria	210.0	219.6	206.6	205.9	217.7	227.0	233.0	231.3	234.5
Queensland	83.1	86.1	83.8	83.7	86.1	89.3	91.2	91.3	92.4
South Australia	54.3	57.0	54.9	53.4	56.9	60.2	62.9	64.0	64.3
Western Australia	39.9	41.6	40.5	41.0	42.8	43.9	44.6	43.8	44.8
Tasmania	19.4	20.3	19.8	20.1	21.0	21.7	22.8	22.7	22.8
Northern Territory	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1
Aust. Cap. Terr.	2.1	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.1
Australia:	688.2	718.8	679.4	673.7	707.5	738.5	758.9	758.7	766.5
PERSONS									
New South Wales	1019.3	1049.1	1024.9	1000.5	1037.6	1071.7	1088.0	*1090.7	1094.1
Victoria	720.7	745.4	731.0	727.5	757.4	783.7	797.2	793.8	799.2
Queensland	333.5	345.4	341.9	338.9	349.8	361.3	367.2	360.1	365.3
South Australia	220.0	227.0	226.4	224.0	232.9	238.9	247.4	246.7	247.3
Western Australia	160.4	166.9	166.5	171.2	177.8	180.3	180.1	178.0	179.4
Tasmania	77.8	80.5	80.8	81.9	83.8	85.7	87.2	88.4	88.7
Northern Territory	5.4	5.4	5.2	5.5	5.8	5.8	6.1	6.5	6.6
Aust. Cap. Terr.	9.8	10.6	10.8	11.0	10.8	11.6	11.6	12.0	11.9
Australia:	2546.9	2630.3	2587.5	2560.5	2655.9	2739.0	2784.8	*2776.2	2792.5

* Revised.

TABLE 6 : CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL BODIES, FEBRUARY, 1957

STATES AND TERRITORIES

(Thousands)

State or Territory	Commonwealth (a)						State and Semi-Govt. (a)		Local Govt. (a)		Total Governmental (a)		
	Defence Group		Other		Total								
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	P
New South Wales	8.8	1.0	46.8	14.3	55.6	15.3	133.3	26.9	26.6	3.0	215.5	45.2	260.7
Victoria	14.2	4.1	35.8	11.2	50.0	15.3	97.5	24.1	13.1	1.7	160.6	41.1	201.7
Queensland	1.2	0.2	16.9	4.6	18.1	4.8	54.0	7.9	17.6	0.9	89.7	13.6	103.3
South Australia	3.5	0.7	13.3	3.0	16.8	3.7	38.2	9.5	3.1	0.3	58.1	13.5	71.6
Western Australia	0.6	0.1	8.5	2.1	9.1	2.2	37.9	6.8	3.5	0.3	50.5	9.3	59.8
Tasmania	0.1	0.1	4.5	1.2	4.6	1.3	13.9	3.9	2.1	0.2	20.6	5.4	26.0
Northern Territory	0.1	—	2.6	0.7	2.7	0.7	—	—	—	—	2.7	0.7	3.4
Aust. Cap. Terr.	0.1	—	7.2	2.4	7.3	2.4	—	—	—	—	7.3	2.4	9.7
<u>Total: February, 1957</u>	28.6	6.2	135.6	39.5	164.2	45.7	374.8	79.1	66.0	6.4	605.0	131.2	736.2
<u>Total: January, 1957</u>	28.7	6.2	135.3	39.3	164.0	45.5	372.7	76.2	65.4	6.4	602.1	128.1	730.2

(a) See note (a) to Table 4 on previous page.

II : EMPLOYMENT IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

TABLE 7 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

STATES - FEBRUARY, 1957.

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)
(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	VIC.	Q'LD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	AUST. (f)
MALES							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	8.1	5.6	5.3	1.8	2.4	2.1	25.7
Mining and Quarrying	29.1	4.6	9.9	1.6	7.6	3.0	56.5
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	296.7	225.0	72.9	69.7	34.9	21.1	720.3
Other (b)	27.3	19.1	10.7	2.6	2.4	0.7	64.1
Total Manufacturing:	324.0	244.1	83.6	72.3	37.3	21.8	784.4
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	76.7	51.4	36.1	20.2	14.3	8.7	210.7
Shipping and Stevedoring	17.0	11.2	9.2	5.9	5.2	2.7	51.4
Rail and Air Transport	38.1	22.4	22.0	9.9	11.2	2.6	106.6
Other Transport and Communication	61.5	39.7	24.3	13.1	9.1	4.5	153.0
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	24.7	19.3	8.5	5.3	4.0	1.5	63.5
Retail Trade	50.1	38.1	15.6	12.1	9.6	3.8	129.7
Wholesale and Other Commerce	51.6	44.0	21.7	15.5	14.1	4.7	151.9
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	36.7	29.0	11.9	8.2	7.4	3.9	101.5
Other Industries (g)	73.0	55.3	24.8	17.1	12.4	6.6	191.1
TOTAL MALES:	790.6	564.7	272.9	183.0	134.6	65.9	2026.0
FEMALES							
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	98.2	89.3	14.4	17.4	6.1	4.9	230.3
Other (b)	1.1	2.3	2.9	0.1	0.9	-	7.4
Total Manufacturing:	99.3	91.6	17.3	17.5	7.0	4.9	237.7
Rail and Air Transport	3.9	2.1	1.3	0.7	0.4	0.1	8.6
Other Transport and Communication (including Shipping, etc.)	11.7	9.5	4.6	2.9	1.5	1.3	31.6
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	19.3	12.7	4.8	3.6	2.3	1.1	43.8
Retail Trade	45.2	32.8	16.3	12.6	10.2	4.2	121.6
Wholesale and Other Commerce	18.2	12.7	7.2	4.1	3.6	1.0	47.0
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	11.1	7.3	4.4	1.8	2.0	1.0	29.2
Other Industries (g)	94.8	65.8	36.5	21.1	17.8	9.2	247.0
TOTAL FEMALES:	303.5	234.5	92.4	64.3	44.8	22.8	766.5
PERSONS							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	8.2	5.7	5.3	1.8	2.4	2.1	25.9
Mining and Quarrying	29.4	4.7	10.3	1.7	7.8	3.1	57.7
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	394.9	314.3	87.3	87.1	41.0	26.0	950.6
Other (b)	28.4	21.4	13.6	2.7	3.3	0.7	71.5
Total Manufacturing:	423.3	335.7	100.9	89.8	44.3	26.7	1022.1
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	79.0	52.8	36.8	20.7	14.6	8.8	216.0
Shipping and Stevedoring	18.1	11.8	9.5	6.1	5.4	2.8	53.9
Rail and Air Transport	42.0	24.5	23.3	10.6	11.6	2.7	115.2
Other Transport and Communication	72.1	48.6	28.6	15.8	10.4	5.7	182.1
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	44.0	32.0	13.3	8.9	6.3	2.6	107.3
Retail Trade	95.3	70.9	31.9	24.7	19.8	8.0	251.3
Wholesale and Other Commerce	69.8	56.7	28.9	19.6	17.7	5.7	198.9
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	47.8	36.3	16.3	10.0	9.4	4.9	130.7
Other Industries (g)	165.1	119.5	60.2	37.6	29.7	15.6	431.4
TOTAL PERSONS:	1094.1	799.2	365.3	247.3	179.4	88.7	2792.5

For notes see page 8.

TABLE 8 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS
AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)
(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)
(Thousands)

Industrial Group	Jan., 1956	Feb., 1956	Nov., 1956	Dec., 1956	Jan., 1957	Feb., 1957
MALES						
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	26.6	27.0	25.7	25.6	25.5	25.7
Mining -						
Gold	7.2	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4
Silver, Lead, Zinc	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.2
Coal	27.6	26.8	26.6	26.5	26.1	25.7
Other (incl. Quarries)	12.2	12.3	13.1	13.1	13.1	13.2
Total Mining and Quarrying	57.2	56.6	57.3	57.2	56.8	56.5
Manufacturing, etc. -						
Factories (a)	+718.9	721.8	719.3	715.3	715.0	720.3
Other (b)	63.6	63.6	64.1	64.0	*64.1	64.1
Total Manufacturing	+782.5	785.4	783.4	779.3	*779.1	784.4
Building and Construction (incl. repairs, etc.)						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	95.4	97.8	98.7	97.1	96.5	96.6
Other (d)	111.6	112.3	113.3	113.1	112.8	114.1
Total Building and Construction	207.0	210.1	212.0	210.2	209.3	210.7
Transport and Communication						
Road Transport	85.5	85.9	86.1	85.8	86.0	86.2
Shipping and Stevedoring	+30.3	50.2	51.4	51.1	51.1	51.4
Rail and Air Transport	107.7	108.6	108.0	107.4	106.5	106.6
Communication	65.0	64.5	66.2	65.9	66.9	66.8
Total Transport, etc.	+288.5	309.2	311.7	310.2	310.5	311.0
Property and Finance, (incl. Banks and Insurance)						
Banks and Insurance	60.3	61.0	61.6	61.9	62.8	63.5
Commerce -						
Wholesale Trade	126.4	127.4	125.1	125.1	125.1	125.8
Primary Produce Agencies	25.9	25.2	27.4	27.1	27.1	26.1
Retail Trade	131.4	130.2	131.9	134.8	130.2	129.7
Total Commerce	283.7	282.8	284.4	287.0	282.4	281.6
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	100.3	100.1	100.7	100.9	101.1	101.5
Other						
Law and Order	20.5	20.6	21.3	21.4	21.5	21.6
Religion and Social Welfare	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4
Health Services	26.6	27.1	26.8	26.9	27.0	27.0
Education	37.8	39.0	41.1	40.8	40.3	41.6
Other Professional	13.8	14.2	14.3	14.3	14.5	14.8
Entertainment, Sport	18.3	18.2	20.7	19.4	19.4	19.3
Personal Service (e)	56.2	56.1	54.9	56.1	55.9	55.4
Total Other	184.6	186.6	190.5	190.3	190.0	191.1
TOTAL :	+1990.7	2018.8	2027.3	2022.6	*2017.5	2026.0

FEMALES						
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Mining and Quarrying	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Manufacturing, etc. -						
Factories (a)	226.7	231.7	227.4	224.8	226.0	230.3
Other (b)	7.4	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4
Total Manufacturing	234.1	239.2	234.8	232.2	233.4	237.7
Building and Construction (incl. repairs, etc.)						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	4.9	5.0	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.3
Transport and Communication						
Road Transport	9.2	9.4	9.5	9.3	9.4	9.3
Shipping and Stevedoring	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Rail and Air Transport	8.5	8.6	8.5	8.6	8.5	8.6
Communication	19.3	19.5	20.2	19.5	19.8	19.8
Total Transport, etc.	39.5	39.9	40.7	39.9	40.2	40.2

+ Affected by industrial disputes. * Revised. For notes see page 8.

TABLE 8 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

AUSTRALIA (Continued)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	Jan., 1956	Feb., 1956	Nov., 1956	Dec., 1956	Jan., 1957	Feb., 1957
FEMALES (Continued)						
<u>Property and Finance (incl. Banks and Insurance)</u>	40.0	41.2	41.7	41.7	43.0	43.8
<u>Commerce -</u>						
Wholesale Trade	40.5	41.0	40.2	40.2	40.3	40.8
Primary Produce Agencies	5.7	5.9	6.1	6.1	6.2	6.2
Retail Trade	125.9	123.3	126.5	130.0	122.9	121.6
<u>Total Commerce</u>	172.1	170.2	172.8	176.3	169.4	168.6
<u>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</u>	28.5	28.6	29.0	28.9	29.1	29.2
<u>Other -</u>						
Law and Order	9.7	9.7	9.9	9.8	9.9	10.0
Religion and Social Welfare	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0
Health Services	74.9	75.1	78.6	77.8	77.8	78.5
Education	46.7	49.0	50.9	50.5	48.9	52.0
Other Professional	10.2	10.3	10.3	10.4	10.5	10.5
Entertainment, Sport	9.2	9.1	10.5	9.4	9.5	9.5
Personal Service (e)	72.1	71.8	70.7	71.3	71.4	70.8
<u>Total Other</u>	231.8	234.0	239.9	238.2	237.0	240.3
<u>TOTAL:</u>	752.2	759.4	765.5	763.8	758.7	766.5
PERSONS						
<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	26.8	27.2	25.9	25.8	25.7	25.9
<u>Mining -</u>						
Gold	7.3	7.4	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6
Silver, Lead, Zinc	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5
Coal	27.8	27.0	26.8	26.7	26.3	25.9
Other (incl. Quarries)	12.7	12.8	13.6	13.6	13.6	13.7
<u>Total Mining and Quarrying</u>	58.3	57.7	58.5	58.4	58.0	57.7
<u>Manufacturing, etc. -</u>						
Factories (a)	+ 945.6	953.5	946.7	940.1	941.0	950.6
Other (b)	71.0	71.1	71.5	71.4	* 71.5	71.5
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	+1016.6	1024.6	1018.2	1011.5	*1012.5	1022.1
<u>Building and Construction (incl. repairs, etc.)</u>						
Building (privately employed) (c)	98.2	100.6	101.5	99.9	99.3	99.5
Other (d)	113.7	114.5	115.7	115.5	115.2	116.5
<u>Total Building and Construction</u>	211.9	215.1	217.2	215.4	214.5	216.0
<u>Transport and Communication</u>						
Road Transport	94.7	95.3	95.6	95.1	95.4	95.5
Shipping and Stevedoring	+ 32.8	52.6	53.9	53.6	53.6	53.9
Rail and Air Transport	116.2	117.2	116.5	116.0	115.0	115.2
Communication	84.3	84.0	86.4	85.4	86.7	86.6
<u>Total Transport, etc.</u>	+ 328.0	349.1	352.4	350.1	350.7	351.2
<u>Property and Finance (incl. Banks and Insurance)</u>	100.3	102.2	103.3	103.6	105.8	107.3
<u>Commerce -</u>						
Wholesale Trade	166.9	168.4	165.3	165.3	165.4	166.6
Primary Produce Agencies	31.6	31.1	33.5	33.2	33.3	32.3
Retail Trade	257.3	253.5	258.4	264.8	253.1	251.3
<u>Total Commerce</u>	455.8	453.0	457.2	463.3	451.8	450.2
<u>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</u>	128.8	128.7	129.7	129.8	130.2	130.7
<u>Other -</u>						
Law and Order	30.2	30.3	31.2	31.2	31.4	31.6
Religion and Social Welfare	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4
Health Services	101.5	102.2	105.4	104.7	104.8	105.5
Education	84.5	88.0	92.0	91.3	89.2	93.6
Other Professional	24.0	24.5	24.6	24.7	25.0	25.3
Entertainment, Sport	27.5	27.3	31.2	28.8	28.9	28.8
Personal Service (e)	128.3	127.9	125.6	127.4	127.3	126.2
<u>Total Other</u>	416.4	420.6	430.4	428.5	427.0	431.4
<u>TOTAL:</u>	+2742.9	2778.2	2792.8	2786.4	*2776.2	2792.5

* Revised. + Affected by industrial disputes. For notes see page 8.

NOTES TO TABLES 7 AND 8

- (a) Refers to estimated employment in factories as defined for the purpose of the annual production census, results of which are published annually in the Secondary Industries Bulletin. In this connexion, a factory is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more persons are employed, or in which power, other than manual, is used. The employees covered are those engaged in manufacturing activities and exclude those engaged in selling and distribution, etc. Revision will be necessary in the estimates herein to numbers of employees in factories since June, 1948, within the above definition. A new series of returns was instituted as from January, 1952, which shows the same approximate trend as the figures herein since that date. A survey of the results obtained from this series is presented in Section III.
- (b) Includes employees in industrial establishments outside the scope of the definition of a factory (given in (a) above) and persons employed by factory proprietors but engaged in selling or distribution, etc., who are excluded from figures shown opposite "Factories".
- (c) Includes persons employed on private building, and employees of private employers contracting to public authorities, on building construction, alterations, maintenance and repairs.
- (d) Includes employees on construction of roads, bridges, earthworks, etc., and employees directly employed by public authorities on building and maintenance of buildings.
- (e) Includes Hotels, Restaurants, Hairdressing and Other Personal Services (except female private domestics).
- (f) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.
- (g) Includes Law and Order, Religion and Social Welfare, Health, Education, other Professional Services, Entertainment, etc., and Personal Service (Hotels, Restaurants, etc., excluding female private domestics). In respect of females only, also includes Forestry, Fishing, etc., Mining, Building and Construction.

III. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

By joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Acting Commonwealth Statistician, a regular monthly survey of employment in the larger privately-owned factories of New South Wales and Victoria was instituted in January, 1952. Practically all private factories with 100 or more employees and a large section of those with between 50 and 100 employees were surveyed.

The instruction as to employees to be included in the returns was as follows:- "The number of persons employed is to include all persons on the establishment of the factory who are engaged in the factory or on the factory office staff, providing their employment is directly related to manufacture", and further ".....the number of males and females (separately) employed in the specified factory or mill. These figures are to include factory office staff, but are to exclude selling and distribution staff". The figures obtained relate to the numbers on the pay-roll as at the last pay-day in the month.

The survey was instituted to provide an earlier indication of trend of private factory employment, month by month, than is available from any other source, and in fact, the trends shown in employment in these larger private factories are broadly consonant with those shown in estimates of total private factory employment, derived from Pay-roll Tax Returns, for the periods for which comparisons are available.

Employment in food-processing factories is subject to considerable seasonal variation. In view of this circumstance, the movements in "all factories excluding food factories" are given equal prominence in the tables with those in "all factories surveyed".

The survey was extended to cover all States with effect from January, 1953. In Bulletins up to and including No. 152, totals were given for the original two States, for the three remaining mainland States and for the five mainland States together. The figures now shown in Tables 9 and 11 are totals for all six States.

An industrial analysis, showing movements in each of eight broad groups, is given in Table 13. In continuation of the earlier practice, this table is confined to the five mainland States. At the present stage, figures for Tasmania cannot be incorporated into this table in the same detail because of the risk of disclosure of individual factory particulars.

TABLE 9 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES (a) :

SIX STATES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1956 January	375,100	116,507	491,607	-	-	-
February	377,558	120,611	498,169	+ 0.7	+ 3.5	+ 1.3
March	377,013	120,289	497,302	- 0.1	- 0.3	- 0.2
April	377,871	117,874	495,745	+ 0.2	- 2.0	- 0.3
May	377,527	116,874	494,401	- 0.1	- 0.8	- 0.3
June	375,438	115,930	491,368	- 0.6	- 0.8	- 0.6
July	374,429	115,047	489,476	- 0.3	- 0.8	- 0.4
August	372,320	114,505	486,825	- 0.6	- 0.5	- 0.5
September	372,082	114,819	486,901	- 0.1	+ 0.3	-
October	371,952	115,693	487,645	-	+ 0.8	+ 0.2
November	372,204	115,556	487,760	+ 0.1	- 0.1	-
December	370,698	115,797	486,495	- 0.4	+ 0.2	- 0.3
1957 January	368,994	118,424	487,418	- 0.5	+ 2.3	+ 0.2
February	*373,319	*120,793	*494,112	* + 1.2	* + 2.0	* + 1.4
March	374,620	121,512	496,132	+ 0.3	+ 0.6	+ 0.4

(a) As the number of reporting factories in the collection varies from year to year, the figures in Tables 9 to 13 are not comparable with those published in Bulletins prior to No. 181, December, 1956. The figures now published for 1956 have been adjusted to make them comparable with the 1957 collection. * Revised.

TABLE 10 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES (a) :

STATES

State	Employment in all Factories Surveyed					Percentage movement in employment	
	1956		1957			Jan., 57- Feb., 57	Feb., 57- Mar., 57
	February	March	January	February	March		
MALES							
New South Wales	150,611	149,844	150,690	151,671	151,880	+ 0.7	+ 0.1
Victoria	114,909	114,892	111,834	112,424	113,182	+ 0.5	+ 0.7
Queensland	37,665	38,096	35,178	38,014	38,543	+ 8.1	+ 1.4
South Australia	43,032	43,089	40,523	40,517	40,226	-	- 0.7
Western Australia	18,710	18,449	17,623	17,691	17,745	+ 0.4	+ 0.3
Tasmania	12,631	12,643	13,146	* 13,002	13,044	* - 1.1	+ 0.3
<u>TOTAL:</u>	377,558	377,013	368,994	*373,319	374,620	* + 1.2	+ 0.3
FEMALES							
New South Wales	47,225	46,543	45,957	46,646	47,034	+ 1.5	+ 0.8
Victoria	47,104	47,515	45,072	46,682	47,649	+ 3.6	+ 2.1
Queensland	8,520	8,500	8,350	8,747	8,674	+ 4.8	- 0.8
South Australia	9,856	9,686	10,908	10,700	10,244	- 1.9	- 4.3
Western Australia	3,696	3,703	3,600	3,622	3,578	+ 0.6	- 1.2
Tasmania	4,210	4,342	4,537	* 4,396	4,333	* - 3.1	- 1.4
<u>TOTAL:</u>	120,611	120,289	118,424	*120,793	121,512	* + 2.0	+ 0.6
PERSONS							
New South Wales	197,836	196,387	196,647	198,317	198,914	+ 0.8	+ 0.3
Victoria	162,013	162,407	156,906	159,106	160,831	+ 1.4	+ 1.1
Queensland	46,185	46,596	43,528	46,761	47,217	+ 7.4	+ 1.0
South Australia	52,888	52,775	51,431	51,217	50,470	- 0.4	- 1.5
Western Australia	22,406	22,152	21,223	21,313	21,323	+ 0.4	-
Tasmania	16,841	16,985	17,683	* 17,398	17,377	* - 1.6	- 0.1
<u>TOTAL:</u>	498,169	497,302	487,418	*494,112	496,132	* + 1.4	+ 0.4

(a) See note to Table 9. * Revised.

TABLE 11 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES (a), EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

SIX STATES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed, except Food Factories			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1956 January	326,073	99,561	425,634	-	-	-
February	325,977	100,845	426,822	-	+ 1.3	+ 0.3
March	325,978	101,336	427,314	-	+ 0.5	+ 0.1
April	326,847	100,968	427,815	+ 0.3	- 0.4	+ 0.1
May	325,697	100,608	426,305	- 0.4	- 0.4	- 0.4
June	323,122	99,999	423,121	- 0.8	- 0.6	- 0.7
July	321,073	99,406	420,479	- 0.6	- 0.6	- 0.6
August	319,850	99,200	419,050	- 0.4	- 0.2	- 0.3
September	319,789	99,930	419,719	-	+ 0.7	+ 0.2
October	319,137	100,402	419,539	- 0.2	+ 0.5	-
November	318,716	100,125	418,841	- 0.1	- 0.3	- 0.2
December	318,934	99,825	418,759	+ 0.1	- 0.3	-
1957 January	320,155	99,787	419,942	+ 0.4	-	+ 0.3
February	321,917	100,426	422,343	+ 0.6	+ 0.6	+ 0.6
March	322,681	100,810	423,491	+ 0.2	+ 0.4	+ 0.3

(a) See note to Table 9.

TABLE 12 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES (a), EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

STATES

State	Employment in all Factories surveyed excluding Food Factories					Percentage movement in employment	
	1956		1957			Jan., 57- Feb., 57	Feb., 57- Mar., 57
	February	March	January	February	March		
<u>MALES</u>							
New South Wales	136,113	135,920	136,784	137,677	137,654	+ 0.7	-
Victoria	99,667	99,797	97,206	97,607	98,350	+ 0.4	+ 0.8
Queensland	25,568	25,533	24,994	25,138	25,100	+ 0.6	- 0.2
South Australia	38,205	38,323	35,599	35,707	35,488	+ 0.3	- 0.6
Western Australia	16,181	16,025	15,118	15,278	15,377	+ 1.1	+ 0.6
Tasmania	10,243	10,380	10,454	10,510	10,712	+ 0.5	+ 1.9
<u>TOTAL:</u>	325,977	325,978	320,155	321,917	322,681	+ 0.6	+ 0.2
<u>FEMALES</u>							
New South Wales	40,333	40,365	39,882	40,233	40,280	+ 0.9	+ 0.1
Victoria	40,125	40,472	39,493	39,639	39,977	+ 0.4	+ 0.9
Queensland	6,800	6,879	6,880	6,830	6,762	- 0.7	- 1.0
South Australia	7,761	7,775	7,567	7,772	7,831	+ 2.7	+ 0.8
Western Australia	2,810	2,831	2,737	2,749	2,727	+ 0.4	- 0.8
Tasmania	3,016	3,014	3,228	3,203	3,233	- 0.8	+ 0.9
<u>TOTAL:</u>	100,845	101,336	99,787	100,426	100,810	+ 0.6	+ 0.4
<u>PERSONS</u>							
New South Wales	176,446	176,285	176,666	177,910	177,934	+ 0.7	-
Victoria	139,792	140,269	136,699	137,246	138,327	+ 0.4	+ 0.8
Queensland	32,368	32,412	31,874	31,968	31,862	+ 0.3	- 0.3
South Australia	45,966	46,098	43,166	43,479	43,319	+ 0.7	- 0.4
Western Australia	18,991	18,856	17,855	18,027	18,104	+ 1.0	+ 0.4
Tasmania	13,259	13,394	13,682	13,713	13,945	+ 0.2	+ 1.7
<u>TOTAL:</u>	426,822	427,314	419,942	422,343	423,491	+ 0.6	+ 0.3

(a) See note to Table 9.

TABLE 13 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES (a) - FIVE MAINLAND STATES

INDUSTRIAL GROUPING

Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (5 States)				Percentage move- ment in employment	
	Mar., 1956	Jan., 1957	Feb., 1957	Mar., 1957	Jan., 1957- Feb., 1957	Feb., 1957- Mar., 1957
MALES						
1. Building Materials	33,980	33,248	33,406	33,313	+ 0.5	- 0.3
2. Basic Metals	37,348	40,158	40,853	40,821	+ 1.7	- 0.1
3. Transportation Equipment	61,368	56,180	56,199	55,805	-	- 0.7
4. Other Metal Manufactures	85,023	81,662	82,349	82,985	+ 0.8	+ 0.8
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	19,142	18,956	19,191	19,373	+ 1.2	+ 0.9
6. Clothing and Textiles	32,587	33,032	33,010	33,094	- 0.1	+ 0.3
7. Food	48,772	46,147	48,910	49,607	+ 6.0	+ 1.4
8. All Other	46,150	46,465	46,399	46,578	- 0.1	+ 0.4
Total - All Groups	364,370	355,848	360,317	361,576	+ 1.3	+ 0.3
Total - Excluding Food	315,598	309,701	311,407	311,969	+ 0.6	+ 0.2
FEMALES						
1. Building Materials	3,077	2,970	2,956	2,928	- 0.5	- 0.9
2. Basic Metals	1,998	2,076	2,086	2,042	+ 0.5	- 2.1
3. Transportation Equipment	5,703	5,024	4,961	5,025	- 1.3	+ 1.3
4. Other Metal Manufactures	18,113	18,294	18,822	19,049	+ 2.9	+ 1.2
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	4,309	4,240	4,259	4,261	+ 0.4	-
6. Clothing and Textiles	51,924	51,295	51,484	51,644	+ 0.4	+ 0.3
7. Food	17,625	17,328	19,174	19,602	+10.7	+ 2.2
8. All Other	13,198	12,660	12,655	12,628	-	- 0.2
Total - All Groups	115,947	113,887	116,397	117,179	+ 2.2	+ 0.7
Total - Excluding Food	98,322	96,559	97,223	97,577	+ 0.7	+ 0.4

(a) See note to Table 9.

IV. WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOUR

TABLE 14 : AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE EARNINGS (a) - AUSTRALIA

Index Numbers (Base 1945-46 = 1,000)
Revised Series (Seasonally adjusted)

Year	Index Numbers		Quarter	Index Numbers	
	All Industries (b)	Manufacturing		All Industries (b)	Manufacturing
1945-46	1,000	1,000	1954 -		
1946-47	1,037	1,056	Sept. Quarter	2,522	2,635
1947-48	1,164	1,206	Dec. "	2,524	2,614
1948-49	1,322	1,365	1955 -		
1949-50	1,451	1,505	March "	2,589	2,732
			June "	2,652	2,758
1950-51	1,742	1,810	Sept. "	2,689	2,798
1951-52	2,145	2,213	Dec. "	2,731	2,841
1952-53	2,350	2,394	1956 -		
1953-54	2,462	2,511	March "	2,749	2,851
			June "	2,801	2,889
1954-55	2,572	2,685	Sept. "	2,863	2,959
1955-56	2,743	2,845	Dec. "	2,903	(c) 2,979

(a) Includes salaries. (b) Average earnings per male unit employed. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. (c) Subject to revision.

NOTE:- The index numbers for "All Industries" and "Manufacturing" show the movement in average earnings over a period of time. They do not, however, give at any point of time, a comparison of actual earnings in the two groups.

The "All Industries" index is based on Pay-roll Tax Returns and other data. The index for manufacturing industries for the years 1945-46 to 1954-55 is based on the average earnings of male wage and salary earners employed in factories as disclosed by annual factory returns. The figures subsequent to June, 1955 are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns.

TABLE 15 : AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS

The following figures are derived from employment and wages recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the armed forces is not included. The figures are not seasonally adjusted. A seasonally adjusted quarterly index of average weekly wage earnings is shown in Table 14.

Period	N.S.W. (a)	VIC.	Q ^{LD} .	S.A. (b)	W.A.	TAS.	AUST.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID (£'000)							
1949-50	9,018	6,370	2,838	1,894	1,315	672	22,107
1950-51	11,385	7,916	3,501	2,389	1,639	817	27,647
1951-52	14,364	9,816	4,319	3,018	2,108	1,059	34,684
1952-53	15,090	10,490	4,750	3,311	2,344	1,178	37,163
1953-54	16,043	11,305	5,065	3,561	2,586	1,280	39,840
1954-55	17,357	12,221	5,398	3,839	2,731	1,365	42,911
1955-56	18,955	13,358	5,809	4,195	2,897	1,476	46,690
1954-55							
September Quarter	16,765	11,848	5,344	3,750	2,729	1,277	41,713
December "	17,918	12,440	5,612	3,862	2,773	1,345	43,950
March "	16,511	11,678	5,017	3,712	2,610	1,346	40,874
June "	18,235	12,916	5,619	4,033	2,813	1,492	45,108
1955-56							
September Quarter	18,454	12,890	5,765	4,097	2,844	1,414	45,464
December "	19,683	13,664	6,034	4,267	2,980	1,462	48,090
March "	18,229	12,832	5,435	4,057	2,849	1,442	44,844
June "	19,453	14,045	6,002	4,359	2,915	1,587	48,361
1956-57							
September Quarter	19,613	13,877	6,145	4,364	3,003	1,529	48,531
December "	21,038	14,627	6,584	4,497	3,011	1,610	51,367
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (£) (c)							
1949-50	9.50	9.78	8.34	8.83	8.65	8.49	9.26
1950-51	11.46	11.70	9.82	10.58	10.23	9.99	11.09
1951-52	14.24	14.20	11.93	13.13	12.80	12.59	13.65
1952-53	15.50	15.46	13.32	14.58	14.13	13.97	14.95
1953-54	16.15	16.27	14.05	15.30	15.04	14.92	15.69
1954-55	16.96	17.06	14.51	16.09	15.55	15.60	16.42
1955-56	18.16	18.22	15.34	17.10	16.37	16.66	17.51
1954-55							
September Quarter	16.60	16.76	14.41	15.86	15.62	14.91	16.14
December "	17.53	17.45	15.14	16.26	15.78	15.51	16.86
March "	16.07	16.20	13.59	15.50	14.86	15.20	15.59
June "	17.64	17.81	14.90	16.73	15.92	16.76	17.07
1955-56							
September Quarter	17.79	17.75	15.16	16.98	16.12	16.11	17.16
December "	18.83	18.68	15.89	17.49	16.82	16.65	18.04
March "	17.46	17.43	14.54	16.43	16.08	16.25	16.81
June "	18.57	19.00	15.75	17.51	16.45	17.61	18.02
1956-57							
September Quarter	18.75	18.87	15.97	17.63	17.14	17.15	18.12
December "	20.01	19.84	17.14	18.20	17.19	18.04	19.13

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Northern Territory.

(c) Total wages as above divided by total civilian employment expressed in male units. Male units equals the number of males plus a proportion of females based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. The same ratio has been used in each State and because the average ratio of female to male earnings may vary between States precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above.

NOTE:- Comparisons as to trend should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. Quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences.

TABLE 16 : AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY WAGE RATES INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES

INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - STATES (a)

The index numbers in the following tables are based on averages of wage rates for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each industrial group in each State is the arithmetical average of the rates of wage payable for classified occupations within that group. The figures for "All Groups" for each State and for each industrial group for Australia are weighted averages.

The base of each index number is the weighted average weekly wage for Australia of all industrial groups for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
31ST DECEMBER, 1956.							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	363	335	326	329	353	341	345
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	344	329	355	323	354	344	338
III. Food, Drink, etc.	351	348	320	335	342	357	343
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	328	326	332	332	337	324	328
V. Books, Printing, etc.	399	386	373	367	404	386	389
VI. Other Manufacturing	350	334	316	330	341	351	339
VII. Building	398	374	362	350	371	365	379
VIII. Mining (c)	353	348	336	315	368	336	350
IX. Rail and Tram Services	376	358	345	328	345	363	359
X. Other Land Transport	352	319	313	310	342	327	333
XI. Shipping, etc. (d)	363	363	360	361	361	362	362
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (e)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	331	324	297	296	319	314	321
XIV. Miscellaneous	350	336	311	305	333	327	335
All Groups (b)(f)	367	347	339	329	353	355	353

31ST MARCH, 1957							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	360	335	326	329	354	341	344
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	342	329	355	323	355	344	338
III. Food, Drink, etc.	351	348	320	335	343	357	343
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	325	326	332	332	337	324	327
V. Books, Printing, etc.	396	386	373	367	405	386	388
VI. Other Manufacturing	349	334	318	330	342	351	339
VII. Building	394	379	362	350	373	365	379
VIII. Mining (c)	351	348	336	315	373	336	350
IX. Rail and Tram Services	372	358	345	328	347	363	358
X. Other Land Transport	348	319	313	310	343	327	331
XI. Shipping, etc. (d)	362	363	360	361	361	362	362
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (e)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	331	324	297	296	320	314	320
XIV. Miscellaneous	346	336	311	305	334	327	333
All Groups (b)(f)	365	347	339	329	355	355	352

(a) The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are those prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State and exclude district allowances in the gold-mining industry.

(d) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are for occupations other than master, officers, and engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of keep, where supplied.

(e) Not available.

(f) For December, 1956 and March, 1957 the "All Groups" average weekly wage index numbers have been calculated by applying to the "All Groups" index numbers for December, 1955 the percentage movement from December, 1955 to December, 1956 and March, 1957 respectively, as shown by the index numbers for "All Groups" excluding XI and XII.

TABLE 17 : AVERAGE NOMINAL HOURLY WAGE RATES INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES, STATES (a)

The index numbers in the following table are based on average wage rates and hours of labour for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each State is the weighted average of the wage rates for each industrial group in the State. The average rate of wage for Australia is the weighted average of the wage rates for each State.

The base of each index number is the weighted average hourly wage for Australia for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Date	N.S.W.	VIC.	Q'LD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	AUST. (b)
31st December, 1938	109	98	109	92	111	94	104
" " 1945	136	133	133	124	138	127	133
" " 1946	146	143	142	132	141	137	143
" " 1947	168	153	139	152	155	149	158
" " 1948	192	188	179	183	190	184	188
" " 1949	206	204	196	197	208	198	203
" " 1950	248	244	228	234	250	239	243
" " 1951	300	290	268	279	300	287	291
" " 1952	338	327	308	322	342	326	329
" " 1953	346	336	316	327	352	341	338
" " 1954	349	340	325	332	353	345	342
30th September, 1955	365	355	334	337	370	350	355
31st March, 1956	368	358	336	337	372	355	358
30th June, 1956	373	367	342	349	375	368	365
30th September, 1956	379	372	350	349	380	369	370
31st December, 1956	388	372	356	349	385	369	375
31st March, 1957	385	372	356	349	387	369	374

(a) Weighted average hourly rates of wage for all industrial groups except Groups XI (Shipping, etc.) and XII (Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.). The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure.

(b) Weighted average.

V. UNEMPLOYMENT

TABLE 18 : NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT, STATES

Compiled from information furnished by the Department of Social Services on the operation of the Unemployment and Sickness Benefits Act 1944 (from 1st July, 1947, Part VII of the Social Services Act 1947-1954) which came into effect on 1st July, 1945. From June, 1951 onwards figures are as furnished by the Department of Social Services.

Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each Month (a)

Month	N.S.W. (b)	VIC.	Q'LD.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	TAS.	Australia		
							Males	Females	Persons
1947 June	1,400	667	3,231	105	761	44	5,981	227	6,208
1948 June	339	66	1,173	20	212	28	1,718	120	1,838
1949 May	222	33	809	12	91	29	1,102	94	1,196
1950 June	335	151	568	32	108	32	998	228	1,226
1951 June (d)	246	32	263	3	50	10	457	147	604
1952 June	4,613	1,133	2,055	153	236	104	6,108	2,186	8,294
1953 June (e)	14,629	5,939	3,677	655	691	323	21,552	4,362	25,914
1954 June	2,810	1,203	1,657	79	225	109	4,360	1,723	6,083
1955 June	1,042	319	964	70	239	45	1,670	1,009	2,679
1956 April	1,789	566	2,223	88	683	30	4,230	1,149	5,379
May	1,848	760	1,562	141	989	36	4,037	1,299	5,336
June	2,325	1,412	1,270	319	1,606	71	5,395	1,608	7,003
July	3,073	2,515	909	494	2,082	91	7,239	1,925	9,164
August	3,119	3,129	809	706	2,304	110	8,274	1,903	10,177
September	3,220	2,949	792	674	1,871	108	7,828	1,786	9,614
October	3,133	3,067	829	640	1,788	88	7,665	1,880	9,545
November	3,324	3,085	821	771	1,666	92	7,805	1,954	9,759
December	4,365	3,593	2,118	978	2,126	97	11,141	2,136	13,277
1957 January	4,191	3,493	4,083	703	2,244	88	12,699	2,103	14,802
February	4,336	2,677	4,218	462	1,930	71	11,498	2,196	13,694
March	4,322	2,771	3,802	481	1,607	94	10,702	2,375	13,077

(a) Last Saturday of month. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) From May, 1951 to September, 1952 the figures represent the number of persons on the cash sheet. (e) From October, 1952 the figures represent the number actually on benefit.

VI. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES

Comparative figures for earlier years and explanations of terms used in this Section will be found in Chapter IV of Labour Report No. 43, 1954.

TABLE 19 : INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (INVOLVING STOPPAGE OF WORK) - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - STATES

Quarter ended 31st December, 1956 (a)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
Number of Disputes							
I. Wood, furniture, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
II. Engineering, metal works, etc.	6	-	-	-	-	-	6
III. Food, drink, etc.	1	3	9	-	-	-	13
IV. Clothing, textiles, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
V. Books, printing, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
VI. Other manufacturing	3	1	4	-	-	-	8
VII. Building	10	-	3	-	-	-	13
VIII. (i) Coal mining	160	-	17	-	1	-	178
(ii) Other mining, quarries, etc.	-	-	1	-	-	1	2
IX. Railway and tramway services	8	1	2	1	-	-	12
X. Air and other land transport	4	-	1	-	-	-	5
XI. Shipping, wharf labour, etc.	23	1	42	3	1	9	86
XII. Pastoral, agricultural, etc.	-	1	1	-	-	-	2
XIII. Domestic, hotels, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIV. Miscellaneous	6	1	1	-	-	-	8
TOTAL:	221	8	81	4	2	10	333
Workers Involved							
I. Wood, furniture, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
II. Engineering, metal works, etc.	170	-	-	-	-	-	170
III. Food, drink, etc.	17	238	3,671	-	-	-	3,926
IV. Clothing, textiles, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
V. Books, printing, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
VI. Other manufacturing	71	90	378	-	-	-	539
VII. Building	1,876	-	9,086	-	-	-	10,962
VIII. (i) Coal mining	23,429	-	844	-	96	-	24,369
(ii) Other mining, quarries, etc.	-	-	1,000	-	-	209	1,209
IX. Railway and tramway services	1,824	2,142	124	1,425	-	-	5,515
X. Air and other land transport	295	-	47	-	-	-	342
XI. Shipping, wharf labour, etc.	7,671	26	9,556	3,868	30	2,143	24,178
XII. Pastoral, agricultural, etc.	-	1,500	416	-	-	-	1,916
XIII. Domestic, hotels, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIV. Miscellaneous	1,071	40	113	-	-	-	1,224
TOTAL:	36,424	4,036	25,235	5,293	126	2,352	74,350
Working Days Lost							
I. Wood, furniture, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
II. Engineering, metal works, etc.	1,683	-	-	-	-	-	1,683
III. Food, drink, etc.	659	558	7,523	-	-	-	8,740
IV. Clothing, textiles, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
V. Books, printing, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
VI. Other manufacturing	4,419	210	1,023	-	-	-	5,652
VII. Building	2,795	-	7,178	-	-	-	9,973
VIII. (i) Coal mining	35,427	-	3,117	-	1,152	-	39,696
(ii) Other mining, quarries, etc.	-	-	1,000	-	-	4,143	5,143
IX. Railway and tramway services	768	803	106	1,700	-	-	3,377
X. Air and other land transport	936	-	123	-	-	-	1,059
XI. Shipping, wharf labour, etc.	3,815	26	8,003	3,904	17	3,046	20,059
XII. Pastoral, agricultural, etc.	-	5,650	1,550	-	-	-	7,200
XIII. Domestic, hotels, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIV. Miscellaneous	5,929	207	913	-	-	-	7,049
TOTAL:	56,431	7,454	30,536	5,604	1,169	7,189	109,631

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Includes disputes occurring in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

TABLE 19 : INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (INVOLVING STOPPAGE OF WORK) - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS -
STATES
Quarter ended 31st December, 1956 (a)
(Continued)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
Estimated Loss in Wages (£)							
I. Wood, furniture, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
II. Engineering, metal works, etc.	6,809	-	-	-	-	-	6,809
III. Food, drink, etc.	2,380	1,749	25,429	-	-	-	29,558
IV. Clothing, textiles, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
V. Books, printing, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
VI. Other manufacturing	13,268	850	2,779	-	-	-	16,897
VII. Building	9,642	-	32,075	-	-	-	41,717
VIII. (i) Coal mining	120,139	-	10,838	-	4,100	-	135,077
(ii) Other mining, quarries, etc.	-	-	6,000	-	-	22,450	28,450
IX. Railway and tramway services	2,408	2,396	344	3,850	-	-	8,998
X. Air and other land transport	3,091	-	380	-	-	-	3,471
XI. Shipping, wharf labour, etc.	13,341	100	28,023	13,665	60	10,664	70,222
XII. Pastoral, agricultural, etc.	-	15,500	4,337	-	-	-	19,837
XIII. Domestic, hotels, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIV. Miscellaneous	18,047	829	3,075	-	-	-	21,951
TOTAL:	189,125	21,424	113,280	17,515	4,160	33,114	382,987

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Includes disputes occurring in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

TABLE 20 : INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : AUSTRALIA

Period	Number	Workers Involved			Working days lost	Estimated loss in wages (£)
		Directly	Indirectly (a)	Total		
1940	350	178,939	13,658	192,597	1,507,252	1,716,121
1941	567	240,845	7,262	248,107	984,174	1,000,102
1942	602	166,167	3,096	169,263	378,195	456,090
1943	785	288,028	8,075	296,103	990,151	1,153,506
1944	941	260,792	15,566	276,358	912,752	1,111,729
1945	945	299,641	16,297	315,938	2,119,641	2,567,444
1946	869	331,865	16,683	348,548	1,947,844	2,290,147
1947	982	280,718	46,419	327,137	1,338,728	1,898,085
1948	1,141	301,025	16,124	317,149	1,662,686	2,299,114
1949	849	260,720	3,857	264,577	1,333,990	2,611,536
1950	1,276	391,481	40,220	431,701	2,062,888	4,166,418
1951	1,344	380,421	28,171	408,592	872,974	2,256,028
1952	1,627	488,178	17,556	505,734	1,163,504	3,439,850
1953	1,459	483,800	12,246	496,046	1,050,830	3,337,437
1954	1,490	355,580	14,494	370,074	901,639	3,021,211
1955	1,532	424,340	20,307	444,647	1,010,884	3,310,321
1956 (b)	1,306	414,590	13,393	427,983	1,121,383	3,967,061
1955 - December Quarter	345	119,294	1,432	120,726	172,450	605,251
1956 - March Quarter (b)	352	172,149	6,605	178,754	583,119	2,065,558
June " (b)	283	84,560	1,490	86,050	186,062	700,884
September " (b)	338	85,817	3,012	88,829	242,571	817,632
December " (b)	333	72,064	2,286	74,350	109,631	382,987

(a) Persons thrown out of work at the establishment where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute.

(b) Subject to revision.

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